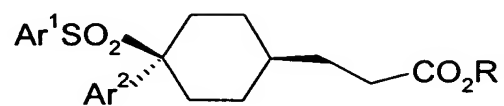


## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

There is provided stereoselective route to a compound of formula I:



wherein R represents H or an alkali metal,  $\text{Ar}^1$  represents 4-chlorophenyl and  $\text{Ar}^2$  represents 2,5-difluorophenyl.